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#### Abstract:

Communications drives the world. Much research is being done to advance the abilities to communicate with more people or higher data rates. Bandwidth has become the limiting factor for many communication systems. One popular solution for efficient bandwidth utilization is Direct Sequence Spread Spectrum (DSSS) which is used as the physical layer modulation underneath Code Division Multiple Accesses (CDMA).

In Direct Sequence – Code Division Multiple Access (DS-CDMA), every user acts as an interferer to every other user. This fundamental issue limits the number of users that can be placed on a single frequency band. The implementation of Power Control, causing the power of every user at the receiver to be nearly the same, increased the capacity of the channel. One newer technique being analyzed to improve DS-CDMA channel capacity is Multi-user Detection (MUD) or multi-user interference mitigation. One type of interference mitigation is Successive Interference Cancellation (SIC). Currently, SIC is not feasible to be implemented in mobile devices due to of the computation time and power consumption needed.

Scale-Time Offset Robust Modulation (STORM) is being presented in this paper as an alternative physical layer to help with synchronization for SIC on a DS-CDMA channel.

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## List of Abbreviations

BER	Bit Error Rate		
BPSK	Binary Phase Shift Keying		
CDMA	Code Division Multiple Access		
DS-CDMA	Direct Sequence – Code Division Multiple Access		
FDMA	Frequency Division Multiple Access		
FSK	Frequency Shift Keying		
MAI	Multiple Access Interference		
MLBS	Maximum Length Binary Sequences		
MLSE	Maximum Likelihood Sequence Estimation		
MMSE	Minimum Mean Squared Error		
MUD	Multi-User Detection		
PN	Pseudo Random		
QAM	Quadrature Amplitude Modulation		
SIC	Successive Interference Cancellation		
SS	Spread Spectrum		
SSMA	Spread-Spectrum Multiple Access		
STORM	Scale-Time Offset Robust Modulation		
TDMA	Time Division Multiple Access		
TR	Transmitted Reference		

## **1** Introduction

#### 1.1 Background

One wireless networking solution is CDMA, in where users share the same channel in time and frequency. Unlike frequency-division multiple access (FDMA), where users are separated by orthogonal frequency bands, and time-division multiple access (TDMA), where users are separated by orthogonal time slots, users in CDMA obtains multiplexing by use of unique codes. Since every user can transmit at any point in time and is also allocated the entire frequency band, CDMA is also known as a spreadspectrum multiple access (SSMA) method [1].

In DS-CDMA, the most popular version of CDMA, each user's data is multiplied by a unique code. The received signal is created by summing all users' signals. Each users' signal overlaps in time and frequency with every other user. Signal detection and demodulation, for a particular user, is traditionally performed by correlating to the unique code of the particular user [1].

Multiple access interference (MAI), the name given to the interference between direct sequence users, establishes a restriction on the capacity and performance of a DS-CDMA system. DS-CDMA is an asynchronous communications system. Therefore, there are timing offsets between signals that makes it impossible to design unique user code waveforms to be completely orthogonal resulting in MAI. MAI is a function of the number and the power of the users within the channel, as either value increases so does the MAI. The conventional detector ignores MAI in by using a single-user approach for signal detection [1].

Multi-user detection (MUD) is a better approach for signal detection. MUD is also known by the names joint detection and interference cancellation. MUD exploits information about more than one user simultaneously to better detect an individual user and their data. Use of MUD techniques has the potential to further aid current DS-CDMA systems [1].

#### **1.2 Multi-user Detection**

MUD exploits the fact that the structure of the MAI is known. With this in mind, the interference can be detected and removed. For this to be successful though, an accurate estimate of the MAI needs to be obtained. MUD can be divided into two broad subgroups: Optimal MUD and Sub-optimal MUD.

Optimal MUD uses either Maximum Likelihood Sequence Estimation (MLSE) or a Matched Filter Bank followed by the Viterbi Algorithm [26]. The Viterbi Algorithm samples the output from the match filters in sequential order and then calculates the most likely path solution. An example of the use of the Viterbi Algorithm method can be seen in Figure 1.

The problem with using Optimal MUD Solutions is that the complexity is not realistic in a practical scenario. MLSE has 2<sup>M</sup> solutions to be tested, where M is the

number of users on the channel. Use of the Viterbi Algorithm reduces the number of solutions to 2<sup>(M-1)</sup>. However, 2<sup>(M-1)</sup> is still not a reasonable number of computations in a realistic scenario [26].



Figure 1 – Optimal MUD technique [26]

Sub-optimal schemes focus on reducing the complexity of the system to a more realistic level. This area can be divided into Linear and Non-Linear methods. Linear methods include Minimum Mean Squared Error (MMSE) and the Decorrelator. Non-Linear forms can come in Decision Feedback and Subtractive Interference Cancellation [26].

Using a Sub-optimal MUD scheme has several drawbacks in comparison to the optimal version. Non-Linear versions are susceptible to a common Spread Spectrum (SS) issues like "The Near-Far" problem. In comparison, linear receivers are less affected by this issue. Synchronizing to the received signal can also be an issue in non-linear schemes. Linear MUD techniques do not need to synchronize whereas Non-Linear receivers need to worry about when the signal starts. Good estimation of other channel characteristics are needed to be able to demodulate using a Non-Linear method [26].

#### **1.3 Subtractive Interference Cancellation (SIC)**

A particular group of non-optimal detectors that have received a lot of attention are known as successive interference cancellation (SIC) detectors. The driving concept of a SIC detector is to estimate the MAI created by each individual user and then remove a part or the whole contributed MAI from the aggregate received signal [1].

A hard or soft bit decision can be used to establish a particular users' data [1]. The easier to implement solution is the soft-decision. Using a hard-decision bit estimate in a feed-back loop changes the SIC detector to be non-linear. An accurate estimate of the received power is needed for the hard-decision. However, hard-decision SIC detectors consistently perform better in comparison to a soft-decision SIC detector. Research has shown that when a users' power estimate is imperfect, there is a degragation in the system performance [27,28].

## **2** Successive interference Cancellation

#### 2.1 Successive Interference Cancellation

The SIC detector takes a serial approach to removing the MAI of a particular user [2, 3]. The detector first demodulates the signal to achieve bit estimates of the interfering signal. Next the detector regenerates an estimate of the interfering signal. Finally, the detector subtracts out the regenerated signal from the aggregate signal such that the remaining signal contains less MAI [1].

A simple pseudo algorithm of the SIC detector follows:

Step 1. Power Order signals. Choose signal with the highest power.

- Step 2. Decode the data contained within the signal with the highest power
- Step 3. Remodulate the signal with the highest power.

Step 4. Subtract out the interfering signal.

When step 3 provides an accurate estimate of the received interfering signal, this algorithm results in a correctly decoded data sequence for the interfering signal. Additionally, a new receive signal with lower MAI is produced.

This detector can be designed in an iterative method, where the  $k^{th}$  iteration takes in the input from the output of the  $(k-1)^{th}$  iteration. The output of each subsequent iteration has a further reduction in MAI than the previous iteration. Additionally, the detector also outputs a bit estimate for the signal mitigated in the  $k^{th}$  iteration [1].

Choosing to mitigate the signals in descending order of powers is an easy choice. First, signal estimation and demodulation is easiest on users with the highest powers due to their correlation peaks being higher. Next, the mitigation of the users causing the most MAI will achieve the largest benefit for the resulting signal. In conclusion, mitigation of a user with lower MAI will not provide a significant benefit to a user with high MAI. However, the converse is not true. Mitigation of a user with high MAI will have a large benefit to a user with smaller MAI. However, this complicates the given algorithm further. First, an accurate estimate of each users power must be maintained at all times. Second, a further bit delay is introduced into the system. Thus, a compromise must be established between power ordering accuracy and computational complexity [1]. A problem occurs when the SIC detector incorrectly estimates a data sequence for a user. In this situation, irrelevant of the accuracy of the timing, power, and phase, subtracting out the regenerated signal will create more MAI than originally existed in the current iteration. In fact, instead of removing the MAI caused by the interfering user, the MAI is instead quadrupled in power. Consequently, a minimum bit error rate (BER) must be maintained within the system for the SIC detector to provide improvement in the system [1].

Many existing SIC implementations use conventional detectors to obtain and order the power estimations of the individual signals. By taking the correlation of every signal at each point in time, a correlation matrix can be formed. From this matrix, an estimate of each signals power can be found and then reordered to continue the SIC process.

Two problems with using a conventional detector to create an estimate of the power are the resources required to create the correlation matrix, and the inflexibility of the correlation matrix in dealing with high energy multipaths. Creation of the correlation matrix at each point in time takes an abundance of resources and time. The extra resources needed for computation makes using a Computational Detector not a viable option for a mobile device. Strong powered multipaths cause a great problem because the joint correlation matrix becomes singular, and a singular matrix needs even more resources to be stabilized.

#### 2.2 New Approach

A new method for implementing SIC has emerged. By using features of the physical layer implementation of Scale-Time Offset Robust Modulation (STORM) computationally cheaper and robust estimations of the power, phase, amplitude, and timing can be obtained.

# **3 Scale-Time Offset Robust Modulation**

## 3.1 STORM

STORM [33, 40, 42, 43, 44] is a modulation scheme that enables highly flexible multiresolution processing of signals through fading and dispersive channels. STORM may be used as a stand-alone modulation technique or it can be used as an encapsulation modulation technique containing a signal modulated with another modulation scheme, such as QAM [43]. STORM aids conventional systems that require rapid and robust synchronization. The benefits of using STORM are that it enables variable time resolution; rapid, robust, reliable signal detection and synchronization; unique spatial processing robustness and gains; estimates of signal power, controllable non-coherent multipath gain; and other, subsequently detailed benefits [44].

STORM is an extension of Transmitted Reference (TR) modulation in that it adds a time scaling step into the modulation process. Signal pairs in existing TR systems contain an offset in frequency or time but not both simultaneously. There are many limitations to a typical TR system. A TR system containing an offset in frequency requires additional bandwidth. Additionally, such a TR system is more difficult to synchronize to. There also exists a fundamental limitation on the frequency offset. When the channel coherence bandwidth is less than the frequency offset, there is a decorrelation in the frequency domain between the two signals and a subsequent degradation the system's ability to synchronize. A decorrelation between the signal pair also takes place in a time offset based TR system when the time delay surpasses the coherence time of the channel. A decorrelation in the time delay dTR system also has similar system synchronization performance degradation [43].

Similar to a TR signal, a STORM transmit signal is also obtained by summing a pair of relatively offset signals, known as the base and offset signals. The base signal can be comprised of many other modulation schemes or modulated signals (ex. random noise, colored noise, a PN sequence, or QAM). The offset signal is obtained from a copy of the base signal that is that modified by a time delay and time scale. Additionally, a phase or amplitude difference can also be applied to the offset signal. By using a time scale close to one, the base and offset signals will be highly overlapped in frequency. A similar overlap in time will occur when a time delay that is lower than the channel coherence time is used [43].

There is nothing to distinguish a TR time delayed offset signal from a multipath signal in a traditional channel. High levels of relative motion create natural time scaling distortion within electromagnetic signals of around  $1 + 10^{-5}$  at velocities of 3km/s. Thus, significant time scaling does not occur naturally and therefore a time scaled signal can easily be distinguished from a multipath [42].

STORM waveform design offers several advantages. To begin with, the signal can rapidly and robustly detected and synchronized to even when the channel has pore time or frequency coherence. Additionally, by fixing the bandwidth, the multipath resolution is adjustable by varying the scaling value. Consequently, a STORM demodulator can stack multipath energy from a non-coherent channel without using a RAKE receiver. Finally, processing rates for synchronization and detection are orders of magnitude lower than a traditional matched filter receiver, assuming the scale parameter is known in advance [42].

## **3.2 STORM Modulation Description**

STORM is similar to time offset modulation, which is a TR modulation with an offset in time. Time offset modulation has been used in RF and fiber optic applications. The background of time offset modulation will be reviewed and will be expanded to the application of STORM [42].

## 3.3 Time-Offset/Embedded Reference Modulation

When the time scaling parameter of STORM has the value of one, the STORM modulation reduces to time offset modulation, which is a TR modulation with a time delay. Time offset modulation is created by the addition between a base signal and a modified copy of the base signal [42].



Figure 2 - Time Offset Modulation [42]

The base signal can be one of the following: wideband short duration, narrow band long duration, or wideband long duration. Possible specific signals or modulations include noise, PN sequences, BPSK, FSK, and QAM signals. Narrow band short duration signals are not used due to typically having ambiguous correlation features [43].

Figure 2 shows a schematic of the modulator for time offset modulation. To begin with, the base signal is obtained from a source. Next, a time delay is applied to a copy of the

base signal. To continue the modulation, the time delayed signal has a complex amplitude applied to it. Finally, the base signal is summed to the time delayed complex signal. The transmit signal is given by equation 1, where the base signal is represented by b(t), the complex amplitude is  $a_m$ , and time delay is  $\tau_m$  [42].

$$x(t) = b(t) + a_m b(t - \tau_m) \tag{1}$$

Equation 2, a common operator that estimates the auto-correlation of a signal over a period T, is used for specific lags in a time offset demodulator. When the delay in the demodulator corresponds to the delay in the modulator, a peak in the estimation of the auto-correlation will occur [42].

$$\hat{\phi}_{xx}(t_o,\tau) = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o+T} x(t) x^*(t-\tau) dt$$
(2)

#### 3.4 STORM's Transmit Waveform Design

STORM is an extension of existing TR modulation by adding time scaling. Figure 3 shows that an input data stream establishes the information for delay, time scale, and amplitude. The delay term represents a time shift. Time scaling interpolates or decimates the signal in time. A phase and amplitude difference between the base and offset signals is established by multiplication of a complex amplitude [42].



Figure 3 - STORM Modulator [42]

The four distinct steps in creation of a STORM signal are shown in Figure 4. First, a copy of the base signal is delayed in time by  $\tau_m$ . Next, the copied and delayed signal is time

scaled by  $s_m$ . Thirdly, the time-scaled, delayed, and copied signal had a complex amplitude,  $a_m$ , applied to it. Finally, the offset signal is summed to the base signal. Equation 3 shows a non-orthogonal mathematical form of the STORM signal. The base signal is given by b(t). The complex amplitude, time scale, and delay values are represented by  $a_m$ ,  $s_m$ , and  $\tau_m$  respectively.

$$x(t) = b(t) + a_m b(s_m(t - \tau_m))$$
(3)

The offset signal can also be established by swapping the time scaling and time delay steps. This changes the equations, but the signal qualities do not change [42].



Figure 4 - STORM Modulation [42]

#### **3.5 STORM Demodulation**

One way to demodulate STORM is to apply the time scale to the received base signal so that it can be correlated to the received offset signal. Alternately, time scaling the received offset signal such that it will correlate with the received base signal would also work. Figure 5 shows a figure representing the first type of STORM demodulator. This is achieved by time delaying and time scaling a copy of the received signal to create an offset signal and then correlating the offset signal with the original received signal. For a high correlation peak to exist,  $s_i$ , the timing scale of the receiver, must match  $s_m$ , the timing scale of the transmitter [42].



Figure 5 - STORM Correlation Receiver [42]

Equation 4 [42] defines a wideband auto-ambiguity estimator [5] for x(t) from Figure 5:

$$\hat{\phi}_{xx}(t_o, s_i, \tau_i) = \frac{1}{T} \int_{t_o}^{t_o+T} x(t) x^* (s_i(t - \tau_i)) dt$$
(4)

When the time scale,  $s_i$ , is equal to one, equation 4 reduces to the previously mentioned auto-correlation estimator. The value,  $t_o$  represents the start of the hypothesized symbol period. The time delay and scale values are represented by  $s_i$  and  $\tau_i$ , respectively. Estimating equation 4 one or more times may result approximations for  $a_m$ ,  $s_m$ , and  $\tau_m$  [42].

Figure 6 represents a pictorial look at a STORM demodulator. Equation 4, the wideband auto-ambiguity function, is estimated when the received signal, r(t) is correlated with a time delayed and time scaled copy or r(t). This system is known as an offset auto-correlator and is a function of the time delay and time scale [43].

A matched filter receiver must hypothesize the arrival of a signal with a minimum rate of the inverse of the bandwidth, (1/BW). In other words, at a minimum sample rate for a signal, the matched filter receiver needs to do a correlation sample-by-sample. However, the STORM receiver does not need make a hypothesis at the same rate. For example, a STORM receiver might need to calculate 4-10 estimations of the auto-ambiguity function to achieve synchronization of a million sample signal. Few correlations are needed to achieve synchronization due to the fact that the base and offset signals maintain relative correlation across the entirety of a signal [43].

## STORM Receiver: Offset Auto-correlation



Figure 6 - graphical STORM demodulation [43]

### 3.6 STORM and SIC

The use of STORM as a physical layer aids in the implementation of SIC. STORM allows rapid and robust synchronization to a signal with fewer correlations than a traditional detector allowing for rapid power ordering of users and their multipaths.

Figure 10 shows a flowchart of SIC being implemented with the aid of STORM. This flow chart follows the SIC algorithm mentioned in chapter 2. Step 1 through step 3 of the STORM SIC algorithm match up with step 1 from the chapter 2 algorithm. T Blocks that have a MATLAB m-filename within the block are controlled by a MATLAB file of the labeled name. All MATLAB files are compiled within the Appendix. A breakdown of each block and functionality follows. A more detailed look into each block will follow in chapter 4. Step 1 through Step 3 of the STORM SIC method match up with step 1 of the pseudo-code SIC algorithm discussed in chapter 2.



Figure 7 - Flow Chart of SIC using STORM

#### Step 1. Power Order & Rough timing estimate

The STORM synchronization process provides a power estimate of each user and each multipath. Additionally, a rough timing estimate is also provided.

#### Step 2. Sync to the signal with the highest Power

A hard decision is made choosing the signal with the highest power estimate.

#### Step 3. DS Code Table Lookup

A reference lookup for the direct sequence (DS) sequence for the chosen user takes place.

#### Step 4. Demodulate data

STORM's rough timing estimate for each user is not accurate enough for conventional demodulation, thus a standard detector follows the STORM demodulator. These methods are already well researched and documented [4]. The conventional detector will create bit estimates for the entire data frame.

#### Step 5. Remodulate

Step 1 provided a power and timing estimate of the signal. Step 4 provided estimate of the data bits for the given frame. Using these values, an estimation of the transmitted signal is created,  $\dot{s}(t)$ . The remodulation of the signal needs to accompany

both STORM and the accompanying modulation scheme. Thus, in the case of DS-CDMA, the remodulation step will need to account for the STORM and DS-CMDA aspects of the signal.

## Step 6. Subtract

Once the estimate  $\dot{s}(t)$  has been obtained, it is subtracted from the original received signal. The new signal,  $s^*(t)$ , will be returned to the beginning of the loop to be operated on again with the goal of having less Signal-to-Noise ratio than before.

# 4 Simulation

## 4.1 Setup

It has been argued in this paper that using STORM as a modulation technique provides a performance enhancement in the synchronization of signals over a conventional detector. A demonstration using MATLAB has been developed as a proof to this concept.





Figure 11 shows the setup for this demonstration. The source computer creates a baseband acoustic STORM signal which is transmits using an attached speaker. The receiver computer records the acoustic signal via an attached microphone. The receiver computer then stores the signal on the hard drive. A second stage of the demonstration will load the saved data. The first stage of the demonstration, the transmitter and receiver setup, is discussed in 4.2. The second stage of the demonstration is discussed in section 4.3. The MATLAB files associated with transmitting and receiving are given below the respective stages in figure 11.

## 4.2 MATLAB Transmission Description

The STORM modulator, discussed in section 3.4 of this paper, was used to create the transmitter. The base signal source was chosen to be maximal length gold codes discussed in 4.2.1. Time scales were chosen to be less than one and have an order in the hundredths (ex .99, .98, and .97).

The base signal was created by modulating a random sequence of binary data bits with the user's DS code. The chip gain, the number of chips representing a single bit, was set to 100. A chip is a single sample of the DS and multiple chips are used to represent an individual bit.

Once the complete base signal was obtained, the base signal was copied and delayed by  $s_m$ . The delayed copy was then time-scaled by  $\tau_m$ . The two signals, the base signal and the time-delayed and time-scaled signal, are summed together. The final composite signal was then passed through a pulse shaping filter followed by a bandpass filter to minimize inter-symbol-interference and to accommodate the channel coherence respectively. The bandpass filter is discussed in 4.2.2 and the pulse shaping filter is covered in section 4.2.3. The signal returned from the filters was then played through the computers speaker.

The receiver, using a microphone, records for a certain amount of time. The data recorded saved locally to a file on the hard drive.

## 4.2.1 User ID's

Maximal length Gold codes were selected as the DS user codes for the demonstration. A Maximal length binary sequence (MLBS) is known as a pseudo-random binary sequence. A MLBS is a periodic, deterministic, sequence with white noise properties.

A Gold code set comes in the size of  $2^N$ , which is greater than the  $2^{N/2}$  size of Kasami code set. However, Kasami codes have better cross-correlation performance than Gold codes. Where N is the number of shift registers used to create the sequences.

To generate a Gold code set, begin with two maximum length sequences, of length  $2^{N}$  -1, a[n] and b[n]. The two sequences, a[n] and b[n] must be limited to a three-values cross-correlation. Sequences that share only a three valued cross-correlation are known as preferred polynomials. A partial table for N = 10 is shown in Table 1 [40]. The modulo two addition of the two maximal length sequences with all phase shifts, including a shift of zero, comprises the  $2^{N}$  Gold code set [40].

Primative Polynomial 1	Primative Polynomial 2
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + Z^1 + z^2 + z^3 + z^5 + z^6 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^1 + z^3 + z^7 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^{1} + z^{2} + z^{5} + z^{6} + z^{7} + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^2 + z^3 + z^8 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^1 + z^5 + z^8 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^2 + z^5 + z^6 + z^7 + z^8 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^3 + z^4 + z^5 + z^6 + z^9 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^2 + z^3 + z^6 + z^8 + z^9 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^2 + z^4 + z^6 + z^8 + z^9 + z^{10}$
$1 + z^3 + z^{10}$	$1 + z^{1} + z^{3} + z^{4} + z^{6} + z^{7} + z^{8} + z^{9} + z^{10}$

Table 1 – Partial preferred polynomials for N = 10

### 4.2.2 Channel Coherence

The STORM transmitter is limited to a sample rate of either 44.1kHz or 22.05kHz. This is due to the creation of an incoherent channel for other sampling rates chosen with MATLAB. Figure 12 shows a comparison of the channel coherence between a 44.1kHz

sample rate and a 40kHz sample rate. The 40kHz channel is not acceptable for use with a coherent demodulator, such as a matched filter. However, STORM can still synchronize to a signal in a non-coherent channel, which has been verified through simulation.



Figure 9 – Channel Coherence for 44.1kHz and 40kHz

A bandpass filter was chosen to be applied to the signal before it was transmitted. The 44.1kHz channel has poor channel coherence at less than 100Hz and starts to degrade past 3000Hz. The frequency response of the passband of the filter, shown in Figure 13, matches up with the coherent frequencies of the channel.



Figure 10 – Signal Bandpass Filter Response

#### 4.2.3 Pulse shaping

To minimize inter symbol interference, the signal was pulse shaped by a root-raisedcosine filter. There is an upsample effect that occurs when applying a root raised cosine pulse shape to a digital signal. The upsample rate was chosen to be an even value of 10. The pulse shape filter used can be seen in figure 14.



Figure 11 – Pulse Shape Filter

### 4.3 MATLAB SIC Description

The second stage of the demonstration, the state that applies SIC, follows the flow diagram given by figure 10. The first and second tiers of data flow are given by figure 10. The MATLAB file, SIC\_and\_STORM.m, represents the first tier view of the entire SIC system and is an encapsulation file that controls the entire second stage of the demonstration. This file follows the steps previously discussed in section 3.6 of this paper.

- 1. Power Order & Rough timing estimate
- 2. Sync to the signal with the highest Power
- 3. DS Code Table Lookup
- 4. Demodulate data
- 5. Remodulate
- 6. Subtract

A more detailed look at the Steps: 1 - Power Order, 2 - Synchronize, 4 – Demodulate, and 5 – Remodulate, will follow. Step 3 is a reference table lookup and will not be examined further. Power ordering and synchronization will be covered by section 4.3.1. Demodulation and remodulation will be discussed by section 4.3.2.

#### 4.3.1 Power Ordering & Synchronization

An accurate estimate of each user's power is needed. The MATLAB file, power\_order.m, provides these power estimates in addition to rough timing estimates. To obtain these needed values, the simulation goes through STORM demodulation as explained in Figure 8. The output of the STORM demodulator is a three-dimensional surface. Each received frame, whether a main signal or a multipath, shows up on this surface as different series of peaks.

Figure 15 shows one such STORM surface containing a single user's received data across two data frames. The correlation spreading effect of the STORM demodulator is also demonstrated within the figure. Instead of having a sharp impulse like peak, the output of the correlator has a spreading effect across time. The x and y axis in this figure represent time, in correlation shifts, and delay, in samples, respectively. The time shifts used to create the STORM surfaces within the demonstration are at .001 times the samples rate. Thus, there is a reduction computation for synchronization of a factor of 1000.

The peak of a particular STORM surface represents a power estimate of the scaled and delayed part of the STORM signal corresponding to the signal that created the STORM surface. For a power estimate of the composite STORM signal, the power estimate needs to be adjusted to include the base signal. Multiplying the power estimate by 2 results in an estimate with enough accuracy for the purposes of this demonstration.



Figure 12 – 3-d STORM Surface

Following up the power estimate of the STORM surface is the synchronization step. To get the STORM synchronization, the line equation corresponding to the STORM surface must be calculated. The STORM surface is projected onto the time-delay correlation-index axis, creating a 2d representation of the STORM surface. This 2d representation can be seen in Figure 16. The x and y axis, like the STORM surface in Figure 15, are the correlation index and the time-delay values respectively. The line equation associated with the points along the STORM surface line can be calculated by using a second order linear least squares form fitting function. Methods for solving least squared functions are covered in the text [39]. The known time-delay,  $\tau$ , is used within the line equation,  $\tau = a_0 +a_1x$ , and reverse solved to obtain the timing estimate. The units of the timing estimate are based off of the correlation index, and must be converted back into samples.



Figure 13 – 2d STORM surface projection

#### 4.3.2 Data Demodulation and Remodulation

A traditional matched filter was chosen to demodulate the data and obtain the bit sequence. However, the matched filter was adjusted to take advantage of the fact that both the base signal and the time-delayed and scaled signal contain the transmitted data. I.e. the equation for the matched filter was equation 3 as opposed to the traditional b(t).

Timing knowledge was exploited on the receiver for demodulation. The distance between each bit, in samples, in a frame was measured. The distance was assumed to be near constant for the entire frame, and any peaks from the correlator outside of the desired distance are assumed to be error. Following this idea, bit errors within the demonstration were reduced significantly.

It was found during simulation that the matched filter using equation 3 had a high sensitivity to  $\tau_m$  and  $s_m$ . This means that if there is an error in the known values of  $\tau_m$  and  $s_m$ , there will be a significant increase in the bit error rate.

The decoded bit sequence is then used to remodulate an estimate of the received signal. The power estimate established previously is then used to attenuate the remodulated signal to the desired power level.

### 4.4 Results

Making use of the ability to control whether the channel is coherent or not, simulations were ran to see if STORM could still synchronize within a non-coherent channel. It was found that even within a non-coherent channel, STORM was still able to produce an accurate power estimate and timing estimate. However, the simulator used a coherent detector, and therefore the data of the signal could not be decoded even though synchronization had occurred.

It was verified that STORM could synchronize to a signal with fewer correlations compared to a traditional matched filter. Consistent and successful synchronization occurred within the demonstration for a signal with a sample rate of 44.1 kHz and a correlation rate of 44 Hz. This is a reduction by a factor of a thousand in the needed correlations for synchronization compared to a traditional detector. It was also verified that STORM gave accurate power ordering of users at the same time as synchronizing to the respective users.



Figure 14 Frame Correlation Pro and Post SIC



Figure 15 Frame Correlations of SIC Twice

Testing of this demonstration showed that applying SIC a single time to a frame of data would remove, on average, 64 percent of the power of the frame. Applying SIC to the same frame two times would remove, on average, 81 percent of the power of the frame. These averages were generated by testing ten frames of data. Figure 18 shows the cross-correlation of a signal pre and post SIC respectively. It can be seen that the peak, and therefore the power of the signal decreases when SIC is applied to the frame. Figure 19 shows the cross-correlation of the same frame after SIC has been applied twice to the signal. On the second iteration, the demodulation step is skipped. Instead, the previously established remodulated frame is subtracted off of the signal. We can see a further decrease in the correlation from Figure 18 to Figure 19 when SIC is applied.

#### 4.5 Conclusion

Scale Time Offset Robust Modulation (STORM) is a high bandwidth waveform design that adds time-scale to embedded reference modulations using only time-delay. Since STORM can be used as an encapsulation modulation, it can easily be added to current CDMA systems with no additional hardware. There is minimal degradation in conventional performance due to STORM's introduction [40].

Using STORM as a physical layer was proven to offer computational savings for power ordering and synchronization in comparison to a conventional detector. Simulations show that synchronization and power ordering took place at a rate of one thousandth the sample rate. The chosen multiuser detection and mitigation strategy, successive interference cancellation, was shown to be successful in its implementation at removing a significant portion, over sixty percent, of the chosen interfering signals power.

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#### **Appendix** – **Matlab File Descriptions**

```
Appendix B MATLAB Files
coherent_detector.m
% Alexis Sietins
% 4/2/09
% coherent detector.m
% Function: coherent detector
%Description: This function/file is for debugging purposes. It employes
а
%conventional detector to the given passed data and plots the output of
the
%match filter. This allows a visualization of the timing of the signal.
The
%second part of this file calculates the point in time
2
% Inputs:
% recv data - recieved data sequence, the data sequence that will be
fed
             into the matched filter
8
  user IDs - the other half of the input for the matched filter. The
8
              unique data of a particular user
00
8
  search len - length of the user IDs that we will correlate with.
8
  frame search len - amount of adjustment for the search length
8
  chip gain - number of chips per bit
00
  frame size - length, in samples, of a frame of data
% phase - lenght, in samples, between a signal and it's offset
   itterations - number of times to loop
8
  time scales - time scales to be used in calculating the
8
offset/scaled
8
           signal
function [local max index signal power] = coherent detector(recv data,
user IDs, search len, ...
    frame search len, chip gain, frame size, phase, itterations,
time_scales)
%take the number of users off of the user IDs variable
[num users cols] = size(user IDs);
%adjust the search length based on the length of the recieved signal
%if the search len is short compared to the recv data, then we will
shorten
%the searcg len to match accordingly
if(search len > length(recv data)/2)
    search len2 = length(recv data)/2;
else
    search len2 = search len + frame search len;
end
```

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%loop
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% Base loop for the number of users.
for l =1 :num users;
    %establish the base search code
    search code2 = user IDs(1, 1 : frame size);
    %establish the scaled search code
    search code3 = resample(search code2,100*time scales(1),100);
    %establish the data sequence
    data = recv data (1:search len2);
    % copy recv data = recv data;
    for j = 1:itterations;
        %set the form for both the base code and the scaled code
        data_form = search_code2(1:frame_search_len);
        data form2 = search code3(1:frame search len);
        %used for debugging purposes
              local max(j) = plot traditional correlator( ...
        8
                  data, data form);
        8
        %percent error within the data to search
        percent depth = 3;
       %take the conventional detection (synchronization) of the
signal
        corr vals = xcorr(data, data form);
        corr vals2 = xcorr(data, data form2);
        %establish the length of the data
        data len = length(data);
        %establish the length of the data form
        form len = length(data form);
0
         data len2 = length(data);
        form len2 = length(data form2);
        %IF statement
        %if the recived data is longer than the data form, plot the
desired section
        %of the output of the traditional correlator.
        if(data len > form len)
            %The xcorr output a sequence of length 2*M-1, the first
half of this
           %sequence is not desired (not within the timing given),
thus it is
            Stossed out for visual putposes.
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wanted corr vals = abs(corr vals(data len:end));
            wanted corr vals2 = abs(corr vals2(data len:end));
            %figure used for debugging. Plots of the output of the
traditional
            %correlator.
            figure;
            plot(wanted corr vals);
            stitle = sprintf('Output of traditional Correlator for user
%i',l);
            title(stitle);
            xlabel('Time (samples)');
            ylabel('correlation value');
            figure;
            plot(wanted corr vals2);
            stitle = sprintf('Output for STORM signal for user %i',1);
            title(stitle);
            xlabel('Time (samples)');
            ylabel('correlation value');
        end
        %end IF statement
        응응
        Sthis section calculates the timing estimate of the
conventional
       %detector. The first local max is taken. There might be more
max
       %local maxes and they might have larger peaks, but the first
one is
        Sthe only one of real interest.
        %finds the maximum of the absolute value of the
wanted corr vals
        max val = max(wanted corr vals);
        %finds all of index's of the values that are close to the
max val
        index = find(wanted corr vals > .9*max val);
        %sets the error search to look for the actual correlation peak
        search depth = percent depth*data len/100;
        % initialize the max value by use of the first value
        local max = wanted corr vals(index(1));
        temp index = 1;
        %scan through the rest of the want corr vals picking out the
max
        %value and storing it
        for k = 2:length(index);
            if(wanted corr vals(index(k)) > ...
                    wanted corr vals(index(temp index)));
                if(index(k) - index(temp index) < search depth)</pre>
                    temp index = k;
                end
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end
        end
        %store the index of the max value of the first peak
        local max index(l,j) = index(temp index);
        %calculate the power of the frame of the signal
        power signal =
recv data(local max index(l,j):local max index(l,j)+frame size+phase);
        signal power(l,j) = sum(power signal.^2);
        %shift the codes for the next itteration
        search code2 = circshift(search code2,[0,-chip gain]);
    end
end
%Alexis Sietins
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%File: data collection.m
8
%Description: Record Data from the microphone. Save characteristics
about
%the file too. File needs to be saved manually via the save command at
the
%command line. This is to allow a user specified file name.
8
%Input - none
2
%Output - none
clear all;
close all;
%set the record sampling rate
fs = 44100;
%length of time (in seconds) to record
record time = 5;
%record the data using the default microphone attatched to the computer
data = wavrecord(fs*record time,fs,1);
%Take the FFT of the recieved data to create the freaquency spectrum
fft data = fft(data);
%calculate the RMS of the recored
rms recorded signal = sqrt(sum(data.^2)/length(data))
%generate a pretty graph of the freqency spectrum
freq = 1/record time:1/record time:fs/2;
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figure;
plot(freq(5:end), abs(fft data(5:length(freq))));
title('frequency spectrum of recorded signal');
xlabel('frequncy (Hz)');
ylabel('Energy');
%set user defined specifics about the recorded data. These values will
%be manually changed by the user when the information is needed to be
%changed for testing purposes.
num users = 1;
% num phases = 1;
frame_size = 4410;
chip gain = 441;
time spread factors = [.99];
phases = [200];
%Alexis Sietins
%5/17/2009
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%Decode data.m
2
%Description: Uses a conventioal Coherent correlator to decode the data
%bits given within the passed signal. This function exploits timing
%knowledge of the signal to get a better bit estimate (I.e. it is known
Sthat each bit should be able the same distance apart from the bits
next to
%it, and therefore the average distance is measured and used to
estimate
%where each bit should be). The recieved data is a STORM code, and the
%conventioal detector in this function correlates to not only the
original
%signal, but the scaled and delayed signal as well.
%process - this function creates an estimate of what the STORM signal
%should be and correlated to this in the detector.
%loop 1: for each bit
%step 1. estimate base signal for the bit
%step 2. copy the signal in step 1.
%step 3. time delay and time scale the copy made in step 2.
%step 4. add signals created in step 1 and step 3.
%step 5. correlate signal in step 4 to the data sequence
%step 6. Store correlator output and the index of the max values of the
  correlator output for each bit
8
%end loop
%step 7. calculate the average bit index and standard deviation of the
bit
% index for each bit. I.e. calcuate the average distance between each
% bit.
%step 8. IF (standard deviation is too large) - remove the index's from
% the system that are beyond one standard deviation, thus reducing
the
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% index's standard deviation of values. %step 9. With the narrowed range of index values created by step 8, do а formal bit detection by taking the sign of te max value of the 2 reduced % indec range for each bit. 2 %The main loop utilizes a dual sliding window. Both the search code and the %data are moved along the sequence through a sliding window. Both of these %windows are moved at the same pace (the chip gain) on each itteration of %the loop. The search code is comprised of the base signal ad the time %scaled/delayed signal, both of which are moved via a sliding window. Τn %effect, there are three sliding windows being used within the main loop. 8 %Inputs: % data - recieved (recorded) data frame. This sequence should be a STORM signal and it should contain actual data (vs noise). This 8 sequence is longer than it 'needs' to be based off of a timing error 8 created 8 by the uncertainty associated with the timing estimate of the STORM 00 synchronization. 8 search code - data sequnce (in this case the user IDs - a ML gold qold) that will be used to correlate against the variable data to 2 decode the informtion 8 chip gain - chip per bit in the given code. Also known as the 8 processing gain of the code. 00 time scale - time scale to be applied to the time delayed part of 00 the STORM Signal - for coherent demodulation. 8 % delay - timing delay to be applied to the copied signal (before it is 8 time scaled). Used for creating the STORM time-delayed and scaled 8 copy. % function decoded bits = Decode data(data, search code, chip gain, ... time scale, delay) % function decoded bits = Decode data(data, search code, chip gain, ... time\_scale, delay) 8 function [decoded bits] = decode frame(S D, frame num, user num)

lower\_bound = round(S\_D.t\_hat(user\_num, frame\_num) - ...

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(S D.search error percent/100) *S D.frame size);
    if (lower bound < 1)
        lower bound = 1;
    end
    upper bound = round(lower bound + S D.frame size +...
        2*(S D.search error percent/100)*S D.frame size) +
S D.chip gain;
    if(upper bound > length(S D.recv data))
       upper bound=length(S D.recv data);
    end
data = S D.duplicate recv data(lower bound:upper bound);
search code = S D.search code(user num,:);
time scale = S D.time_spread_factors(user_num);
delay = S D.phases(frame num)*S D.compression ratio;
%calculates the frame length based off of the length of the search code
frame size = length(search code);
%the number of bits contained within the recieved data signal
num bits = floor(frame size/S D.chip gain);
%length of the data sequence
data len = length(data);
%initialize the index vector to 0
index =0;
%transpose the search code into row vector from colum vector
search code = search code';
%scale the search code to desired length
scaled code = resample(search code, 100*time scale, 100);
%Calculate chips per bit for the scaled signal
scaled_chip_len = S_D.chip_gain*time_scale;
%calculate the scaled delay for the time scaled/delay signal
scaled delay = delay*time scale;
Show many samples the signal will be shorted by appliing the scale
delay factor = round(S D.chip gain*(1 - time scale));
%calculate the length of recieved data sequence to use for coherent
%detection. The length is the timing uncertainty (error), plus the
legnth
%of the delay, plus 1.
corr len = (data len - frame size) + scaled chip len +1 + delay;
%initialize and zero out this variable
%This variable will represent the summed original signal and
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```
%time scaled/delayed singal to be used in the conventional detector
bit search code = zeros([num bits,delay+S D.chip gain]);
%loop
%This loop follows the psuedo code loop discussed in the function
%description section at the begining of this m file.
for j = 1:num bits;
    %generate the base signal for conventional detection
    bit search code(j,1:S D.chip gain) = search_code(1:S_D.chip_gain);
    %generates time scaled/delayed signal for conventional detection
    bit search code(j, scaled delay-(j-1)*delay factor: ...
        scaled_delay-j*delay_factor+S_D.chip_gain-1)...
        = scaled code(1:S D.chip gain-delay factor);
    %create the output of the conventional detector. Store the data for
    %each bit.
    corr vals(j,:) = xcorr(data(1 : corr len), bit search code(j,:));
    %following 2 lines are used for debugging. Output of the
conventional
   %correltor based on just the base signal.
    simple corr vals(j,:) = xcorr(data(1 : corr len),...
8
8
         search code(1:S D.chip gain));
8
      Sthese figured used for debugging purposes. Viewing the output of
the
      %correlators via a graph.
8
         figure;
00
         plot(corr_vals(j,:));
%
         figure;
8
         plot(simple corr vals(j,:));
    %find and save the index of the max absolute value of the output
    %of the correlator for each bit.
    index(j) = find(max(abs(corr vals(j,:))) == abs(corr vals(j,:)));
    %apply the sliding window to the base code
    search code = circshift(search code, -S D.chip gain);
    %apply the sliding window to the scaled signal
    scaled code = circshift(scaled code, -S D.chip gain+delay factor);
    %apply the sliding window to the data
    data = circshift(data, -S D.chip gain);
end
%end loop
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Sthis section of the code applies knowledge of the timing of the signal
to
%narrow the search area of the bits. Thus increasing the accuracy of
%correct bit detection
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Stake the average of the values in the index vector. I.e. take the
average
%distance between each bit
avg index = mean(index);
%calcualate the statistitcal standard deviation of the index vector.
std dev = sqrt(var(index));
%initialize the new index variable
new index = [];
%if statement - condition on the standard deviation. Check to see if
the
%standard diviation is small enough to begin with that we don't need to
%reduce it further.
if(std dev > 2)
    %loop
    %This loop is to reduce the stardard deviation to such that we can
    %seach for bit timing more accuatly.
    for j =1 :num bits
        %if the measured bit index is outside the standard deviation,
then
        Sthat is a timing error and that bit index is thrown out in the
        %calculation of the new index vector.
        if( abs(index(j)-avg index) < std dev)</pre>
            new index = [new index index(j)];
        end
    end
    %end loop
else
    Selse, the standard diviation is good enough and we keep the old
values
    new index = index;
end
%end if statement
%set the maximum and minimum search indexes for bit detection. These
values
%are based off of the narrowed index range of 'new index' variable.
max search val = max(new index)+1;
min search val = min(new index)-1;
%loop
%This loop does the actual bit detection
for j = 1:num bits
    %Look at the correlation value of the narrowed range
    true index(j) = find(max(abs(...
        corr vals(j, min search val:max search val)))...
        == abs(corr vals(j, min search val:max search val)));
    %formal bit decision
    decoded bits(j) = sign(corr vals(j,true index(j)+min search val));
end
```

```
% decoded_bits = decoded_bits';
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%these figures are for debugging purposes.
% figure;
% plot(index);
% figure;
% plot(new index);
% Alexis Sietins
8
%demod storm pulse shape.m
%version 1
% 6/2/2009
2
2
% Description - This m-file is an encapsilation file. As in it controls
the
% entire simulation system just from here. The vfirst section defines
all
% of the parameters that will be used within the simulation system.
2
% step 1. create the unique codes that each user will use to identify
% themselved.
% - main loop -
% step 2 - power order the current frame
% - small loop - for each user
% step 3 - demodulate data
% step 4 - remodulate signal esitmate
% step 5 - subract
% - end small loop -
%step 6 - advance to next frame
% - end main loop-
8
8
%%%%%%% Over View %%%%%%%%%%
clear all;
clear all;
close all;
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warning off;
%%%%%%%%% system variables
Sload the recorded data file to process on
load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\STORM signal 5 24 09 rrc ones 2';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved
data\\STORM signal 5 21 09 rrc ones 98scale';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\two_signals_same_synch_2'
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% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved
data\\STORM signal 5 21 09 rrc ones 2users';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved
data\\STORM signal 5 20 09 rrc ones 98scale';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved
data\\STORM signal 5 20 09 rrc ones 2users';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\STORM signal 5 20 09 rrc ones';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\STORM signal 5 19 09 power test 2';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\STORM_signal_5_13_09_rrc_ones';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\STORM_signal_5_13_09_rrc_neg_ones';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\STORM_signal_5_12_09_rrc_neg_ones';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\STORM signal 5 11 09 rrc ones';
% load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\recieved data\\test data';
%give string of the filename location containing the desired maximum
length
%gold sequences
S D.mls fname = 'Z:\\MATLAB\\PR\\mlseg 13';
%give the string file name location of the filter coefficients used on
the
%recorded data
S D.filter fname = 'Z:\\MATLAB\\PR\\Filter coefs BP 5 11 09';
% establish some system parameters. Store them in the S D struct. S D
% struct contains all revelant System Data to pass from one function to
% another. The next 7 lines of code copy values straight from the data
% file.
S D.recv data = data;
S D.frame size = frame size;
S D.phases = phases;
S D.num users = num users;
S D.record time = record time;
S D.time spread factors = time spread factors;
S D.sample rate = fs;
%error accountable between the STORM timing estimate and the actual
value
S D.error = .0025;
% S D.error = 0;
for j = 1:length(S D.time spread factors)
    S D.scale error(j) = (1-S D.time spread factors(j))*100* \dots
        S D.time spread factors(j)*S D.error +
S D.time spread factors(j);
end
% defines the percent to narrow the view of the cross-correlation
output of
% the STORM surface
S D.percent view = 20;
%power factor defines how much to multiply the STORM surface peak by to
%achieve the actual signal power. Since there is the base and offset
%signal, the power needs to be multiplied by 2
S D.power factor = 2;
%upsampling factor to be applied to the generated code sequence for
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%demoddulation and remoddulation
S D.root raised cos factor = 10;
%number of frequency bins to be averaged over. This variable not
currently
%used
S D.freq bin size = 10;
%percent error or the frame between the STORM surface timing estimate
and
%the actual timing value. This is the searchable range on either side
of
%the STORM estimate. As in, the code will search the given percent to
the
%left and to the right of the calculated STORM synch point
S D.search error percent = 2;
%establish the number of users based off the number of spread factors
in
%the given data file
S D.num spread factors = length(S D.time spread factors);
%establish the ratio between the sample rate and frame size.
S D.compression ratio = S D.sample rate/S D.frame size;
%simple boolean expression designating use of the finite impulse
responce
%filter on the code sequence for both demodulation and remodulation
S D.use filter = true;
%if statement - if (user filter) - then load the filter data into
memory
%and then process the recieved data by the filter.
if(S D.use filter)
    %load filter data into memory
    cmd = sprintf('load %s',S D.filter fname);
    eval(cmd);
    %same filter coefs to the system data (S D) struct
    S D.filter coefs = filter coefs;
    %subtract out the DC term of the recorded code. Put in by the
    %microphone
    S D.recv data = S D.recv data - mean(S D.recv data);
    %filter the recieved code
    S D.recv data = filtfilt(...
        S D.filter coefs,1,data);
end
%boolean to resame the recieved code to 4410hz
%this code is no longer used
% resample code = false;
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%establish the number of bits each frame of data contains
S D.bits per frame = S D.frame size/S D.chip gain;
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Supscale the frame size to match the upsampled rate created by pulse
%shaping the signal - in samples
S D.frame size = S D.frame size*S D.compression ratio;
Supscale the chip gain in samples to match the upsampled rate created
by
%the pulse shaping of the signal
S D.chip gain = S D.chip gain*S D.compression ratio;
%set a base search length criteria
S D.search len = S D.frame size;
%establish the number of frames to decode information for
S D.frames to decode = S D.record time -1;
% establish the number of divisions that will take place to create the
% STORM surface.
S D.frame divisions = 44;
% S D.frame divisions = 100;
% S D.frame divisions = round(frame size*(1/time spread factors(1) -
1));
%initilize a vartiable that will contain the information about how much
the
%signal has shifted (I.e. how much the signal has advanced, in samples,
%since the begining of processing)
total shift amount =0;
%clear the data that has been stored in the System Data (S D) struct
and
%will not be used elsewhere.
clear chip gain data frame size num users
clear record time time spread factors fs fft data freq phases cmd
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%%%%%%%% Generate User Maximum Length gold code Sequences %%%%%%%%%%
%generate the user IDs for each desired user
S D.base user IDs = ...
    generate user IDs(S D.mls fname, S D.num users);
%upsample the user IDs based off of the root raised cosine pulse
shaping
%that took place on the transmitter
S D.user IDs = rcosflt(S D.base user IDs, ...
    1,S D.root raised cos factor, 'sqrt');
%transpose the two ID variables so that each row = each user
S D.user IDs = S D.user IDs';
S D.base user IDs = S D.base user IDs';
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%initilize the loop for the first frame
current frame = 1;
%zero out/initialize the matrix containing the decoded bit sequence
S D.decoded bits = zeros([S D.bits per frame, S D.frames to decode,...
   S D.num users]);
%establish the section of the user IDs that will be used to create the
%desired frames.
S D.search code = S D.user IDs(:, 1 : S D.frame size);
%make a copy of the revieced signal so that we can shift the copy and
%maintain the reference point with the original
S D.duplicate recv data = S D.recv data;
%MAIN LOOP
2
% loops on each frame to be decoded.
% step 1. power order each user - obtain timing estimate at same time
% step 2. domodulate user with highest power
% step 3. remodulate user with highest power
% step 4. subtract out signal from total
% goto step 2
2
%advance loop
while(current frame <S D.frames to decode+1)</pre>
   %power oder each user fro this frame with the power order function
   [S D.power estimate(:,current frame), S D.t hat(:,current frame)]
=...
       power order(S D);
   %loop - over each user
   %1. obtain user with highest power
   %2. domodulate user.
   %3. remodulate user
   %4. subtract out user from signal
   for j =1:S D.num users;
       %establish the user with the highest power.
       user to be removed = ...
           find(max(S D.power estimate(:,current frame)) == ...
           S D.power estimate(:,current frame));
       %decode data for user with highest power.
       S D.decoded bits(:, current frame, user to be removed) = ...
           decode frame(S D, current frame, user to be removed);
       Susing data decoded from previous step, remodulate the signal
for
       %the user with the highest power
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[S D.remodded signal] = ...
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remod signal(S D,user to be removed, current frame);
       %subtract out the signal from the agrigate signal
       S D.duplicate recv data = ...
           remove_frame_from_signal(S_D, user_to_be_removed,
current frame);
       %debugging purposes.
       %figure plots the power, based off of corrlation, of each user.
8
         figure;
8
         plot(xcorr(S D.recv data, S D.remodded signal));
8
        title('correlation of old signal');
       %zero out the user with the highest power so that the next user
can be
       %removed
       S D.power estimate (user to be removed, current frame) = 0;
   end
   %END USER LOOP
   %advance the current frame
   current frame = current frame+1;
    current frame = current frame+6;
8
   %shift the recv data vector to the next frame.
   S D.duplicate recv data = ...
       circshift(S D.duplicate recv data ,-1.3*S D.frame size);
   %add up the shifted amount and keep track of how much has been
shifted.
   total shift amount = total shift amount + S D.frame size;
end
%END MAIN LOOP
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Sthis section is purley for debugging purposes.
%applied a matched filter for a timing estimate to the first frame of
%recorded data
if(false)
   frame search len = 30000;
   itterations = 1;
   [S D.coherent synch pt S D.signal power] = ...
       coherent detector(S D.recv data, S D.user IDs, S D.search len,
. . .
       frame search len, S D.chip gain, S D.frame size, ...
       S D.phases, itterations, S D.time spread factors);
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%Alexis Sietins
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% Function: find sync.m
2
%Description: Take a STORM surface matrix and calculates a timing
%estimate. First, a 2-d projection of the storm surface is created.
% Then the largest (longest) peak is taken to lock onto. As assumption
is
% being made that the longest storm surface will belong to the storm
% signal that is most in view of the given frame. Next, using a 2nd
order
% linear least sqaures form fitting function, the equation of the line
% associated with the chosen STORM surface is estimated. Combining the
% knowledge of the line and the given delay estimate, a timing estimate
% is created and returned
8
% inputs:
8
      input - STORM surface. N x M sized matrix. Rows - Time divisions.
8
         Corrasponds to time. Colums - correlation output. Corresponds
8
          to delay. N << M normally
8
      tau - delay estimate to be used in combination with STORM surface
line
          equation to generate timing estimate.
8
% Output:
8
     pt - timing estimate
function [pt, power estimate] = find sync(input,tau)
%fins the number of rows and columns of input - the STORM surface
[rows cols] = size(input);
%Pre-loop
%initialize loop conditions by setting the first peak of the storm
surface
peak(1) = find(max(input(1,:)) == input(1,:));
%intiailize loop
frame bgn index = [1];
%Loop
%generate 2-D STORM surface projection
for j = 2:rows
    peak(j) = find(max(input(j,:)) == input(j,:));
    power(j) = max(input(j,:));
    if(peak(j) > peak(j-1))
        frame bgn index = [frame bgn index , j];
    end
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#### end

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frame bgn index = [frame bgn index , rows];
%Loop
%calculate the length of each surface within the given Frame
for j = 2:length(frame bgn index)
    lens(j-1) = frame bgn index(j)-frame bgn index(j-1);
end
% while (pt<0)
    %find the frame with the most data points associated with it
    full_frame = find(max(lens) == lens);
    if(size(full frame) >1)
        full frame = full frame(1);
    end
    %create the power estimate based of the max value on the desired
    %correlation range
   power estimate = max(power(frame bgn index(full frame):...
        frame bgn index(full frame+1)));
    88
    %form fitting
   %2nd order Linear Least Squares Form Fitting
   % Typical least squares solution
   % [b0 b1 ] = inv(X'*X)*X'*Y
   % where
    \% X - each column of X is the x component of the data
    % vector raised to the power of the
   % column number (Ex. 1st col is all 1's. 2nd col is actual raw
data. 3rd
   % col is data squared... ect)
    % Y - y component of the data vector M x 1 vector
    8
    % This system obtimizes y = b0 + b1*x
    %generate X matrix
     X = [ones(1,lens(full_frame)) ; ...
8
peak(frame bgn index(full frame):frame bgn index(full frame+1)-1)];
    X = [ones(1,lens(full frame)) ; ...
       frame bgn index(full frame):frame bgn index(full frame+1)-1];
   X = X';
    %generate Y vector
    Y = frame_bgn_index(full_frame):frame_bgn_index(full_frame+1)-1;
8
   Y = peak(frame bgn index(full frame):frame bgn index(full frame+1)-
1);
   Y = Y';
    %Solve for B vector
    B hat = inv(X'*X)*X'*Y;
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figure;
    plot(peak);
    title('2-d projection of STORM surface');
    xlabel('Correlation index (time)');
    ylabel('time delay (samples)');
    %adjust the giving delay estimate for the middle of the correlation
    tau hat = (length(input(1,:))/2) + tau;
    %use B vector solution to create timing estimate
8
    pt = B hat(1) + B hat(2) * tau hat;
   pt = (tau hat-B hat(1))/B hat(2);
% Alexis Sietins
% 4/3/2009
% generate user IDs.m
2
% Description: This file creates the maximum length gold sequences for
each
% user. The number of users is passed as an argument into the function.
% Since generting these values cold each time can take a long time, the
% maximum length base sequences needed to create the gold code family
have
% previously been calculated and saved to the hard disk. These values
are
% loaded into memory and then xor'd to obtain the unique id for each
user.
8
% Input -
% fname - string file name used to locate the maximum length sequence
      generating codes
8
% num users - number of users. Each user will get a unique code
assigned
8
       to them
2
% Output -
% user IDs - [n x m] matrix containing the codes for each user. n is
the
8
   numer of users, as designated by the num users input variable. m is
the
8
   2^{(number of shift registers)-1} - where (number of shift registers)
is
8
   deturmined by the fname passed to the function
function [user IDs ] = generate user IDs(fname, num users )
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%store the filename into a command line string and then execute the %command such that the file is laoded into local memory

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cmd = sprintf('load %s',fname);
    eval(cmd);
    % load 'C:\\Documents and Settings\\Administrator\\My
Documents\\MATLAB\\PR\\mlseq 13'
         load 'Z:\\MATLAB\\PR\\mlseq 13';
    2
    % compare the lengths of the two sequences. If they are not the same
    %length, then there is a problem and exit
    if(length(ml seq1) ~= length(ml seq2))
        error('Maximal length sequences are not' ...
            'of equal length - exiting now');
        quit;
    else
        %if they are the same length, establish the baseline length for
the
        %system.
       mls len = length(ml seq1);
    end
%%%%%%%% Set up information needed for each user %%%%%%%%%%
%initilize the variable user IDs
user IDs = zeros(num users,mls len);
%convert the ML sequences to binary 0 or 2
%the xor function needs 0 and non-zero entries
ml seq1 = ml seq1 + 1;
ml seq2 = ml seq2 + 1;
%loop spans the GOLD Space defined by the ML sequences.
%each row is the ID for each specific user
for j = 1:num users;
    %take the xor of the 2 sequences to create each user id
    user IDs(j,:) = xor(ml seq1,ml seq2);
    %do a logical circular shift on 1 register.
    temp = ml seql(1);
    ml seq1(1:mls len-1) = ml seq1(2:mls len);
    ml seq1(mls len) = temp;
end
%convert user IDs from logical 0 & 1 to logical -1 & 1
user IDs = 2.*user IDs - 1;
%make a copy. 1 to be used for transmitting, the other recieving
user IDs = user IDs';
%Alexis Sietins
% 4/3/2009
% power order.m
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2
%Description: Create a power ordered estimate for each user.
8
       step 1; creat a storm surface for each user
8
       step 2; calcualte a timing estimate and power estimate based
off of
8
           the storm surface for each user
8
%Input
8
   S D - System Data Struct. Contains all relevant system data
2
% Output
% power estmate - vector containing the power estimates for each user
8
  timing estimate - vector containing all the STORM timing estimates
2
function [power estimate, timing estimate] = power order(S D)
%expand the searchable range - since the MATLAB transmit capabilities
are
%not real time and therefore have a gap between each transmitted frame
search len = 1.3*S D.frame size;
%amount, in samples, the frame should be shifted each itteration
shift size = round(search len/S D.frame divisions);
%eastblish a copy of the recv data to shift
duplicate data = S D.recv data;
%outter loop
% for each user
%1. create STORM surface
%2. take power estimate (max of the storm surface)
%3. create timing estimate based off of the STORM surface
for j = 1:S D.num users
    %grab the data to be turned into a STORM surface
    shifted recv data = duplicate data(1:2*search len)';
    %loop - for each frame division
    % this loop creates the STORM surface
    for k = 1:S D.frame divisions
       %establishes the base signal
       unscaled recv data = shifted recv data(1:S D.frame size);
       %establishes the scaled signal
        scaled recv data = resample(unscaled_recv_data , ...
            100*S D.time spread factors(j), 100);
        %autoabiguity function for the scaled & base signal
        corr vals(j,k,:) = xcorr(unscaled recv data',...
            scaled recv data', 'none');
        %time shift the data sequence
        shifted recv data = ...
            circshift(shifted recv data, [0,-shift size]);
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end
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%establish the length of the cross correlation output
    corr len = length(corr vals(j,1,:));
    %next few lines comress the "view" of the cross-correlation such
that
    %it is easier to view and easier to process.
    num samples view = (S D.percent view/100)*corr len;
    upper_bnd = round((corr_len/2) + (num_samples_view/2));
lower_bnd = round((corr_len/2) - (num_samples_view/2));
    %store the 'narrowed view' signal in a temp variable
    temp(:,:) = corr vals(j,:,lower bnd:upper bnd);
    %establish the delay value that will be used to obtain the timing
    %estimate
    real tau(j) = round(S D.phases(j)*S D.time spread factors(j))*...
        S D.compression ratio;
    %obtain the timing estimate. This value is in
%frame/frame divisions
    [pt hat(j), power estimate(j)] = ...
        find sync(temp,real tau(j)*S D.scale error(j));
    %convert the timing estimate created by the find sync function into
the
    %desired sample
    timing estimate(j) = pt hat(j)*search len/S D.frame divisions - ...
        real tau;
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end

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%Alexis Sietins
% remod signal.m
8 5/14/2009
% Function : remod signal
% Descrition: create an estimate of a transmitted signal to be
8
     subtracted out from a recieved signal for Sucessive
%
      Interference Cancellation (SIC)
8
      The output has an unmodified power spectrum - I.e. the signal
8
      needs to be further modified to account for recieved power.
8
% Inputs:
8
     bit sequence - estimated recieved bits
8
      user ID - gold code sequency comprising unique user IDs
8
      chip gain - number of chips per bit
      delay - time delay shift between the base signal and the
8
scaled/delayed
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8
         signal
8
      time spread factor - scaling factor to be used on the
scaled/delayed
8
          signal
2
      filter coefs - filter coefficients to be used after pulse shaping
% Outputs:
8
     rx - estimated recieved signal, with no adjustment for power
function [rx] = remod signal(S D, user num, frame num)
bit sequence = S D.decoded bits(:,frame num);
chip gain = S D.chip gain/S D.compression ratio;
user ID = S D.base user IDs(user num,:);
delay = S D.phases(frame num);
time spread factor = S D.time spread factors (user num);
filter coefs = S D.filter coefs;
power estimate = S D.power estimate(user num, frame num);
%factor to be used with the root raised cosine filter. In other
%words, the amount of upsampling that takes place
root raised cos factor = 10;
%temp variable so it can be circular shifted without loosing the
%orignal begining
user ID copy = user ID;
%number of decoded bits
num bits = length(bit sequence);
%length of the signal
signal len = num bits*chip gain;
%if statement checking the the user id is of sufficient length
%if the ID is not long enough, then there will be redudant correlation
%within a single data Frame
if(signal len > length(user ID))
    'error - remod signal.m User ID sequence not long enough'
    rx =0;
    return
end
%initialize the base signal and zero it out
base signal = zeros([1, signal len]);
%loop: generates the base signal.
for j = 1:num bits
    %multiplies segments of the user ID by the estimated bit sequence
    base signal((j-1)*chip gain+1:j*chip gain) = ...
        bit sequence(j)*user ID copy(1:chip gain);
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%rotates user ID copy by the chip gain. This rotation is needed for
    %the previous line of code
    user ID copy = circshift(user ID copy,[0,-chip_gain]);
end
if(S D.bits per frame - floor(S D.bits per frame) > 0)
   additional sig len = S D.frame size/S D.compression ratio -
signal len;
   base signal = [base signal user ID copy(1:additional sig len)];
end
%add a tail of zeros to the base signal - so that when base signal is
%copied and delayed, the base signal won't rotate around on itself.
offset signal = [base signal [zeros([1,delay])]];
%copy and time delay the base signal
offset signal = circshift(offset signal, [0,delay]);
Stime-scaled the delayed/copied signal by the time scaling factor
scaled offset signal = resample(offset signal,...
    100*time spread factor, 100);
%calculate the number of samples to extend the scaled/offset signal
% pad len = length(base signal) - length(scaled offset signal);
%pad the end of the scaled/delayed signal so its length matched the
length
%of the base signal
% scaled offset signal = scaled offset signal';
% scaled_offset_signal = [scaled_offset_signal ; zeros([pad_len,1])];
% scaled offset signal = scaled offset signal';
%pulse shape the base signal
pulse shaped base =
rcosflt(base signal,1,root raised cos factor,'sqrt');
%filter the pulse-shaped base signal
filtered base sig = filtfilt( filter coefs, 1, pulse shaped base);
% filtered base sig = filtfilt( filter coefs, 1, filtered base sig);
% final base sig =
rcosflt(first filtered base sig,1,root raised cos factor,'sqrt');
%pulse shape the time sclaed/delayed signal
pulse shaped scaled sig = rcosflt(...
    scaled offset signal,1,root raised cos factor,'sqrt');
%filter the pulse-shaped time scaled/delayed signal
filtered scaled sig = filtfilt( filter coefs, 1,
pulse shaped scaled sig);
% filtered scaled sig = filtfilt( filter coefs, 1,
filtered scaled sig);
base power = sum(filtered base sig.^2);
scaled power = sum(filtered scaled sig.^2);
% filtered base sig2 =
filtered base sig*(sqrt(power estimate/base power));
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% filtered scaled sig2 =
filtered scaled sig*(sqrt(power estimate/scaled power));
filtered base sig =
filtered base sig*(sqrt(power estimate/base power));
filtered scaled sig =
filtered scaled sig*(sqrt(power estimate/scaled power))*time spread fac
tor;
% base power2 = sum(filtered base sig2.^2)
% scaled power2 = sum(filtered scaled sig2.^2)
%Add the two signals together for the final signal esitmate
rx = zeros([length(filtered scaled sig),1]);
rx(1:length(filtered base sig)) =rx(1:length(filtered base sig))+
filtered base sig;
rx(1:length(filtered scaled sig)) = rx(1:length(filtered scaled sig)) +
filtered scaled sig;
rx(1:length(filtered scaled sig)) =
filtfilt(S D.filter coefs,1,rx(1:length(filtered scaled sig)));
% rx(1:length(filtered scaled sig)) =
rx(1:length(filtered scaled sig))*2*sqrt(power estimate);
base power = sum(filtered base sig.^2)
scaled power = sum(filtered scaled sig.^2)
total power = sum(rx.^2)
% rx2 = zeros([length(filtered scaled sig2),1]);
% rx2(1:length(filtered base sig2)) =rx2(1:length(filtered base sig2))+
filtered base sig2;
% rx2(1:length(filtered scaled sig2)) =
rx2(1:length(filtered scaled sig2))+ filtered scaled sig2;
%Alexis Sietins
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%remove frame from signal.m
% description: Apply the subtraction of the remodded signal to the
recorded
% signal. First, do a fine accurate synchronization to the remodded
frame.
% Then subtract out the signal based on this fine timing estimate.
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% Input -
% S D - struct containing all of the system data
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  user num - the number of the current user being processed.
% frame num - number of the current frame being processed
8
% Output -
% rx signal - new signal with the frame subtracted from it
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function rx signal = remove frame from signal (S D, user num, frame num)
%establish the length of the remodded signal
remod len = length(S D.remodded signal);
%establish the data that will be searched for the fine synchronization
searchable data = S D.duplicate recv data(1:2*S D.frame size);
%calulate the cross correlation
corr vals = xcorr(searchable data, S D.remodded signal);
%establish the point in the corr vals variable that the search will
start
%with
min search index = 2*S D.frame size;
%calcuate the fine tune timing estimate
timing estimate = find(max(abs(corr vals(min search index:end))) == ...
    abs(corr_vals(min_search_index:end)));
sgn = sign(corr vals(min search index+timing estimate));
Sthese figures are used for debugging purposes.
% figure;
% plot(corr vals);
% figure;
% plot(corr vals(min search index:end));
%estimate the power based off the maximum correlation value
power est = max(corr vals(min search index:end));
%calculate the power of the remodded signal
remod power = sum(S D.remodded signal.^2);
%scale the remodded signal based on the power estimate
remod sig = S D.remodded signal*power est/remod power;
%copy the duplicate signal so that subtraction can take place
rx signal = S D.duplicate recv data;
%begugging purposes
%estimate the power of the frame before subtraction
% base rd power est = sum(...
      rx signal(timing estimate:timing estimate + remod len).^2)
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%SUBTRACT out the reomdeed signal from the signal
rx signal(timing estimate:timing estimate + remod len -1) = ...
    rx signal(timing estimate:timing estimate + remod len -1) - ...
    sgn*remod sig;
%debugging purpose
%calcualte the power of the new signal
% new rx power est = sum(rx signal(timing estimate:timing estimate...
% + remod len).^2)
% remod power est = sum(S D.remodded signal.^2)
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%debugging purpose
% figure plots the correlation peaks of the frame with the demodded
signal
% figure;
% plot(xcorr(rx signal,S D.remodded signal));
% title('correlation of new signal');
% Alexis Sietins
%transmit storm pulse shape.m
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%Description: Transmit an acoustic STORM signal
%conditions wanted in this file:
% 1. supports multiple users
% 2. create a signal for each user,
% 3. each user has a specified time scale and time delay
% 4. each user can have an adjustable power
% 5. each user can have adjustable delay (timing erro) introduced into
the
% signal
% 6. play the composit signal for a certain length of time, repeating
the
% signal
clear all;
clear all;
close all;
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%load the file containing the filter coefficients used to sven out the
%spectrum for transmitssion
load 'C:\\Documents and Settings\\Administrator\\My Documents'...
    '\\MATLAB\\PR\\Filter coefs BP 5 11 09.mat'
num users = 1; %number of users
chip gain = 441; %number of chips per bit.
NSR = 13; %number of shift registers used in calculating the MLS
sequence
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sample rate = 44100;
root raised cos factor = 10;
play time = 10;
frame size = 4410;
time spread factor = [.99];
num samples = frame size;
phase delay = [200];
% num samples = 5*sample rate;
frame num = 1;
compression ratio = sample rate/frame size;
if(2^{(NSR)}-1 < num users)
    error('MLS sequence too short for number of users - exiting now');
    quit;
end
if(2^(NSR)-1 < frame size)</pre>
    error('MLS sequence too short for frame size - exiting now');
    quit;
end
is running = false;
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%load the file containing the maximum length gold codes. These
sequences
Shave been calcuated apriori to reduce run-time computation time.
load 'C:\\Documents and Settings\\Administrator\\'...
    'My Documents\\MATLAB\\PR\\mlseq 13';
%if statement
%establish that the two sequences are of the same length
if(length(ml seq1) ~= length(ml seq2))
    %if the two sequences are not of the same length, we cannot
continue.
    error('Maximal length sequences are not of equal'...
       ' length - exiting now');
    quit;
else
    %establish the length of the sequences, used in the rest of the
    %program. This length will be 2^(number of shift registers)-1,
where
    %(number of shift registers) is a variable used in calculating the
    %maximum length sequences
   mls len = length(ml seq1);
end
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%%%%%%%% Set up information needed for each user %%%%%%%%%%%%

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% creates 2-D matrix to be filled with the needed unique user ID's
% each row represents a seperate user
user IDs = zeros(num users,mls len);
%convert the ML sequences to binary 0 or 2
%the xor function needs 0 and non-zero entries
ml seq1 = ml seq1 + 1;
ml seq2 = ml seq2 + 1;
%loop spans the GOLD Space defined by the ML sequences.
%each row is the ID for each specific user
for i = 1:num users;
    Stake the xor of the 2 sequences to create each user id
   user IDs(i,:) = xor(ml seq1,ml seq2);
    %do a logical circular shift on 1 register.
   temp = ml seql(1);
   ml seq1(1:mls len-1) = ml seq1(2:mls len);
   ml seq1(mls len) = temp;
end
%convert user IDs from logical 0 & 1 to logical -1 & 1
user IDs = 2.*user IDs - 1;
%make a copy. 1 to be used for transmitting, the other recieving
user IDs recv = user IDs;
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%zero out/initialize the transmitted signal
transmitted sig = zeros(1,compression ratio*length(user IDs(1,:)));
%%%%%%%%%% Generate Bit sequences (simulated transmitted Data) at
Random
%created large 2-D matrix with random binary data.
%user data sequence = -1*ones(num users, round(num samples/chip gain));
user data sequence = ones(num users, round(num samples/chip gain));
%zero out these zariables for future use
current max len = 0;
previous max len = 0;
%loop
Soutter loop to shift through each user
for j = 1:num users;
    %loop - shift through each bit
    % create the base signal for the first user
    for k = 1:num samples/chip gain
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%create a temp variable - will make shifting the User ID much
        %easier.
        temp = user IDs(j,1:chip gain);
        %signal_idex used to visually simplify the update equation
        sig index = (k-1) * chip gain +1;
        Supdate the transmitted signal with the new chip pattern for
the
        %given user, user ID, and bit value
        base sig(sig index: sig index + chip gain -1) = ...
            user data sequence(j,k)*temp;
        %circular shift the MLS sequences
        user IDs(j,1:mls len-chip gain) =
user IDs(j,chip gain+1:mls len);
       user IDs(j,mls len - chip gain +1:mls len) = temp;
    end
    %expand the base signal so that is can be circular shifted without
    %loosing data
    expanded base sig = [base sig zeros([1,phase delay(j)])];
   %ciruclar shift (delay) the base signal to create the time delayed
сору
    %of the base signal
    delayed base sig = circshift(expanded base sig, [0,
phase delay(j)]);
    %scale the time delayed base signal to create the time
delayed/scaled
    %signal
    scaled sig = resample(delayed base sig, 100*time spread factor(j),
100);
    %pulse shape the base signal
    rrc base sig = rcosflt(base sig,1, root raised cos factor,'sqrt');
    % filter the pulse shaped signal for spectral reasons
    filtered base sig = filtfilt(filter_coefs,1,rrc_base_sig);
    %pulse shape the time delayed/scaled signal
    rrc scaled sig = rcosflt(scaled sig,1,
root raised cos factor,'sqrt');
   %filter the pulse shpaed scaled signal for spectral reasons
    filtered scaled sig = filtfilt(filter coefs,1,rrc scaled sig);
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     have an adjustable pad length for debugging purposes.
   pad len = 0;
    %add the base signal to the transmitted sig
    transmitted sig(1+pad len:length(filtered base sig)+pad len) = ...
        transmitted sig(1:length(filtered base sig)) +
filtered base sig';
    %add the scaled/delayed signal the to transmitted sig
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transmitted_sig(1+pad_len:length(filtered_scaled_sig)+pad_len) =...
transmitted_sig(1:length(filtered_scaled_sig)) +...
filtered_scaled_sig';
%establish what signal has the greater length.
current_max_len = max([length(filtered_base_sig) ...
length(filtered_scaled_sig)]);
%compare the max length of the current signal to previous signals.
If
%the new one is longer, establish the new length to be the
greatest.
if(current_max_len > previous_max_len)
previous_max_len = current_max_len;
end
end
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%establish the signal that will actually be transmitted
final(1,1:previous_max_len) = transmitted_sig(1:previous_max_len);
%only one speaker should play, this the second channel should be zeroed
final(2,1:previous_max_len) = zeros([1,previous_max_len]);
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%play the desired signal until the play time has been exceeded
tic
while(toc<play_time)
        wavplay(final',sample_rate);
end
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